### **Minimum Qualifications**

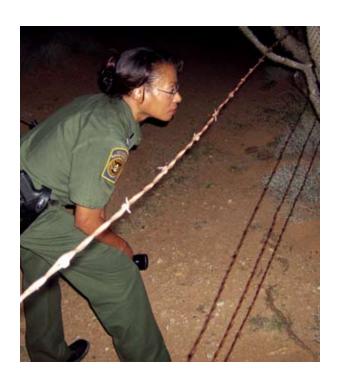
You must:

- Be a U.S. citizen,
- Be under 40 years of age,
- Pass a fitness test,
- Pass medical and drug screening,
- Pass a background investigation, and
- Have **no** domestic violence convictions.

### **Application Information**

To apply:

- Call (888) 376-6419, or
- Go to our web site at www.borderpatrol.gov.





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The mission of
the Border
Patrol requires
attracting men
and women of
good character,
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and self-discipline. Serving
your country
in the Border
Patrol means working

in a fast-paced, law enforcement environment. Facing threats to America at our border frontiers puts Border Patrol agents on the front line in the war on terror. Despite the dangers, the vast majority of agents enjoy the work. Our team of highly trained, anti-terrorism professionals enjoys one of the highest reputations in federal law enforcement. As a Border Patrol agent, you will also be eligible for outstanding federal compensation packages.

# A Day on the Job

The Border Patrol is responsible for patrolling over 6,000 miles of United States land border and over 2,000 miles of coastal border that includes Florida and Puerto Rico. The southwest border is where all agents are assigned at the beginning of their careers.

Working on the U.S.-Mexico border involves the full scope of enforcing federal law. Agents encounter drug and human smuggling on a grand scale. Each agent receives extensive classroom and field training that has been developed over the Border Patrol's long history. The Border Patrol's mission provides a wide range of enforcement activities.



# **Responsibilities**

The activities of an agent include:

- Apprehending terrorists and preventing their weapons from illegally entering the United States.
- Actively patrolling the border in known smuggling areas between the ports of entry.
- Responding to various intrusions.
- Detecting, tracking, and apprehending illegal entrants.
- Case processing of aliens as well as drug and human smugglers.
- Conducting traffic checkpoints on highways leading from the border area.
- Inspection of commercial and public transportation.

#### **Benefits**

Generous benefits include the following and much more:

- Federal health insurance, retirement and Thrift Savings Plan (401(k));
- Life insurance, long term care insurance, and extensive vacation/leave time; and
- Non-competitive promotion to GS-11, plus 25% paid on top which equates to agents with 3 years in service earning approximately 70K a year.

